





### LEARN • LEAD • ADVOCATE

## Make a Difference in Your Community. Become a Partner in Policymaking.

Partners in Policymaking® is a FREE international leadership and advocacy training program that teaches adults with developmental disabilities and parents and guardians of children with developmental disabilities to become effective advocates at the local, state, and federal levels.

Class Schedule: All sessions begin at 12:00 Noon on Friday and continue through 5:00 PM on Saturday on the stated dates:

Feb. 10 & 11 March 17 & 18 April 21 & 22 May 18 & 20 June 9 & 10 July 21 & 22 August 18 & 19 September 15 & 16

Visit https://ddc.delaware.gov/ or call 302-739-3333 for an application and more info

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT PARTNERS IN POLICYMAKING

## Who is eligible to participate in this program?

The program is designed for Delaware residents 18 and older with developmental disabilities and their family members.

# What time commitment is required for those chosen to participate in this program?

Participants are required to attend all eight-weekend sessions (February through September 2023).

### Where are the weekend sessions held?

The sessions are scheduled to be held at Hilton Garden Inn, 1706 DuPont Highway, Dover, 19901

#### Is there a fee?

No, there is no fee to attend. All costs, including hotel accommodations, meals, and materials.

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### Sample Sessions

History of the Disability Movement

Inclusive Education

Community & Employment Supports

**Assistive Technology** 

How to meet with public officials and give legislative testimony

Self-directed planning

Community engagement

Becoming an effective advocate

" I will be able to take these skills back to my son's school and be more tactful and upbeat about partnering with the school."

---Partners Graduate

### Space is limited..

Preference is given, but not limited to adults with developmental disabilities\* and parents raising young or schoolaged children with developmental disabilities.\*

- \*Mental or physical disabilities are manifested before the individual attains age 22.
- Result in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, mobility, selfdirection, capacity for independent living, and economic self-sufficiency.